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Polish White Book Reveals Nazi Methods Planned For New Europe

DEPORTATION, TERRORISM, DELIBERATE DEBASEMENT RUIN THE PEOPLE

The Polish government in exile released in New York through its embassy in Washington, advance copies of a Polish White Book indicting the German government and people for inhumane treatment of the Poles.

Official German ordinances in the appendix deal with the seizure of property and the economic regulation of the country, as well as the stern persecution of Jews and the grinding down of the daily lives of all Poles.

"In the long history of man's inhumanity to man, surely there is nothing like the official Polish White Book just issued," said an accompanying statement explaining the volume. "Here is revealed the fate that awaits Hitler's victims:

"The murder of a nation and the reduction to a state of servitude of its former inhabitants by the actual killing off of all the best citizens, the mass deportation of the middle classes and the scientific sapping of the physical strength of the people, accompanied by the

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U.S. Asked To Intercede Over Refugees

The U.S. State Department was requested by a Jewish delegation calling upon Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary, to use its good offices with the British Government to bring about a modification of the policies of the Palestine administration with regard to admitting Jewish refugees who had unsuccessfully sought haven there, notably in the sinking of the refugee ship Struma, and declared:

"The policy responsible for such disasters is inconsistent with the ideals of justice and humanity as expressed in the Atlantic Charter and with the obligation assumed by Great Britain in the Balfour declaration and the Mandate for Palestine."

The delegation was made up of [illegible] the American [illegible] Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Committee and the B'nai B'rith. The speakers were Mrs. David de Sola Pool, Lotte Lipsky, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, all of New York, and Henry Monsky of Omaha, Neb.

"The policies pursued by the present Palestine administration and the Colonial Office of the British Government in regard to the admission of refugees and their internment are creating unparalleled tragedy and suffering for Jewish refugees from the Nazi terror," the delegation stated. "These policies have already led to disasters that have cost the lives of hundreds of people and threaten, if continued, to bring death and injury to many thousands more."

The group presented a memorandum telling about the Struma and other disasters that refugees had suffered.

Of the 769 refugees on the Struma, a fifty-foot boat which set out in December for Palestine, only to be turned away, the memorandum said, one survived when the craft went to pieces last month.

Several other incidents were recited.

Manchester Guardian Objects to Palestine Censorship

In a letter to the Manchester Guardian on the subject of the Palestine censorship, Professor L. B. Namier states that a cable from Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organization, to the opening rally of the Palestine Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service was not allowed to be published in the Palestine press.

The censored cable read: "My heartiest greetings to the Palestine A.T.S. at the outset of its recruiting campaign. I know how eagerly our women will welcome this opportunity to share with the ten thousand of [illegible] and all other Palestine soldiers in them. Long-sought chance now lies before you all. I am confident that you will take fullest advantage of it to the advancement of the cause of freedom and your own lasting satisfaction. Hazak Veomatz."

A letter from A. Creech Jones, M.P., quotes a telegram from Moshe Shertok, head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency, stating that "my own (Mr. Shertok's) speech at the opening of the Succot campaign was totally suppressed and never published. On another occasion my recruiting appeal to the Press Conference was held over 12 days and published only after my own intervention at headquarters."

Commenting editorially on these statements, the Manchester Guardian asks "Why does the Palestine censorship handle in this way a most helpful recruiting campaign? Parliament ought to insist on much fuller information from the responsible Ministry, which is the Colonial Office."

3,000 Jews In U.S. Army To Attend Afternoon Passover Seders In Honolulu

THOUSANDS IN SERVICE WILL CELEBRATE AT 21 OVERSEAS BASES

The Jewish Welfare Board wired $2,500 to its offices in Hawaii on the day after the Pearl Harbor bombing, following this up with monthly allotments of $3,000, and $25,000 has been placed on deposit in Hawaii to be used by the Board to meet whatever emergencies may arise.

Special funds also have been sent to Hawaii by the JWB to cover Passover expenses, which involve the shipment of Passover supplies to be used at two community seders to be held in Honolulu for approximately 3,000 servicemen. These seders, which will be conducted by Army Chaplain Harry Richmond and Navy Chaplain Herbert C. Straus, will break with tradition to the extent that they will not begin at sundown on Passover eve, but will be held during the afternoon instead. Blackout regulations and night and day "alert" duty for troops make any other arrangement impossible.

Preparation for the observance of Passover by thousands of men of Jewish faith in the Army and Navy stationed in 21 overseas bases were announced. With the approval of the U.S. War and Navy Departments, the Board has assigned six civilian rabbis to conduct the traditional seder services which mark the Hebrew Festival of Freedom in bases ranging from the Caribbean to Alaska. These rabbis have been assigned to points where there are no Jewish chaplains on duty.

In addition, arrangements for the observance have been made with local Jewish Welfare Board Committees and with Army and Navy chaplains who are not of the Jewish faith. More than 3,000 Passover prayer books and 2,000 pounds of matzohs and other Passover foods have been shipped to the outlying bases.

The six rabbis assigned to overseas service will arrive at their

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ORT Training Aids 10,000 In Nine Overseas Countries

More than 10,000 men, women and young people received constructive aid in 1941 in the trade schools, workshops and farming projects of ORT, Organization for Rehabilitation through Training, according to the annual report just issued by George Backer, president of the American ORT Federation.

This work was carried on for refugees and other war victims in nine overseas countries, Mr. Backer said, adding that plans for expansion to other places in 1942 are [illegible] in helping refugees become self-sufficient skilled workers able to add to the productivity of their adopted countries. He also cited ORT's contribution to the victory efforts of the democratic countries by training men for jobs in war industries, as in England where the graduates of the ORT school in Leeds are employed in defense plants.

Pointing out that the American Jewish community has recognized the need of "helping the refugee get on his feet" and become integrated into the life of the country, Mr. Backer said the same problem elsewhere requires proportionately greater efforts because of the larger ratio of refugees to the local population.

"In England," he said, "there are 50,000 refugees in a Jewish population of 300,000; in Argentina, more than 40,000 to 300,000; in Uruguay, 7,000 to 25,000. In other South American countries the proportion is much greater, in some cases there are six times as many refugees as local Jews.

"It is vital that the refugees become productive citizens as soon as possible. In the battle against anti-Semitism, this integration is essential. At a time when the United Nations need every skilled hand, their skills are important weapons. It is not only a decent life for an individual that makes the continuation and extension of ORT's work as vital in these countries, it is the need of the United Nations themselves which demands their training."

ORT projects operated last year in cities and rural areas, including refugee camps in the Warsaw ghetto, in England, unoccupied France, Argentina, Switzerland, Poland, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Shanghai, China. As a result the suffering of thousands of families was lightened by the ability of their breadwinners to eke out a livelihood either as employees in a shop or on a farm or as free-lance artisans able to get small work orders.

Declaring that the ORT institutions in occupied countries will continue under local committees, Mr. Backer said that these committees have "for some time had the authorization to borrow and expend funds and the assurance that as soon as the war is over the obligations that they now have to incur will be met in full. Even though we cannot reach the imprisoned Jews of Europe today, our promise that we do not forget them strengthens their courage and determination in our common struggle wherever they may be."

Federations Council Studies Central Defense Agency

The special committee on civic-protective agencies appointed by the board of directors of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at the 1942 General Assembly in Chicago concluded its initial series of meetings with representatives of the four major agencies in the field of defense against anti-Semitism, American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith Lodge, and the Jewish Labor Committee.

Appointment of the Council's committee on civic-protective agencies followed immediately after the General Assembly approved a special report outlining a possible basis for co-ordination in the defense field. The committee is now studying the questions raised by the representatives of the four agencies and will present a complete report on its progress

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Denies Jewish Army Issue Divides Jewry

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, chairman of the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, announced in New York that he has received word from more than 250 rabbis, of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform denominations, approving the proposal to establish a Palestine Jewish army to fight as an independently organized unit under British command.

Among those from whom messages have been received are Dr. Jupen G. Reifer, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, with a membership of 450 Reform rabbis; Rabbi Louis S. Lang, president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, with 300 Conservative members, and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, an organization of 250 Orthodox members.

"Attempts have recently been made by a small group of rabbis to suggest that American Jewish opinion is sharply divided on the proposal to organize a Jewish fighting force in Palestine under British or Allied command," Dr. Wise's statement says. "These rabbis have acted not only contrary to the expressed opinion of their own rabbinical organization, which more than two weeks ago in solemn con-

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Restrictions Against Jews Mount As Axis Friends Make Great Show Of Jewish Question

STEAL LAND, LIQUIDATE PROPERTY AND INSTITUTIONS

Nicholas von Kallay, the new Hungarian Premier, outlining his government's program to the lower house in Budapest, stated that he felt it necessary that Judaism, as a retarding factor in the country, be eliminated. The new government's first measure, he said, would decree the confiscation of Jewish-owned land.

Jews were the target of new restrictions in the Axis countries of Bulgaria and Slovakia, as well.

The Slovak government ordered all Jews to remain in their homes from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. and the Bulgarian Interior Ministry decreed that only 16 Jewish technicians out of a total of 125 with technical degrees would be allowed to work in that country.

Not a single Jew now remains in Belgrade, according to information reaching Yugoslav circles in Jerusalem. A large number of Belgrade Jews have been shot as "Communists"; others have simply disappeared; and all survivors have been expelled from the city, including Jewish women and children, who have been sent to forced labour camps in the neighbourhood where they are obliged to work for twelve hours a day.

The death penalty is to be enforced in Serbia in the case of any person hiding Jews or in any way financially assisting Jews, according to an announcement published in the Belgrade Novo Vreme. All property which is being looked after for Jews must be reported to the Belgrade Security Police, or to the German military authorities. Agreements and contracts made with Jews since April 6 are subject to this decree. In the event of anyone not carrying out the regulations, the death penalty will also be enforced.

The Belgrade Donauzeitung announces that the Zagreb Synagogue has been "liquidated," and that the Synagogue at Varazhdin is now being used as a Nazi labour club.

The most prominent industrialist in Croatia, Baron Guttman, known as the "Yugoslav Rothschild," has been arrested. Baron Guttman's factories and property have been confiscated.

The Ministry of Commerce has forbidden Jews to participate in fairs or to buy cattle and grain from peasants. Offenders are liable to imprisonment and confiscation of their property. Jews have also been forbidden to deal in meat.

The authorities in the Hungarian zone of Transylvania have decided to bar Jewish patients from municipal hospitals.

All Jews are to be expelled from the Hungarian sport associations, by order of the Ministry of National education, and Jewish sports associations are to be liquidated.

The Chambers of Commerce have been ordered to dismiss all Jewish employees within three months, and the Budapest Chamber of Lawyers has decided to exclude all Jews from membership. All Jewish taxi drivers in Budapest have been deprived of their licenses, and all Jewish newspaper

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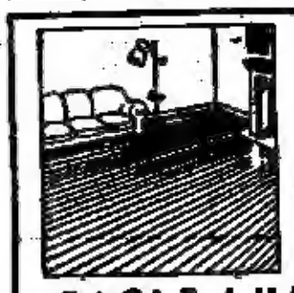

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Social Notes—Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. N. Brecher, Pagnuelo Avenue, spent ten days at Lac Brule.

Mrs. Irving Takami, of Rochester, N.Y., is here to spend Passover with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wolfe, Maplewood Avenue.

Mrs. M. Hoppenheim, St. Urbain Street, spent a few days in the Laurentian Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker, of Toronto, are visiting his mother, Mrs. R. Baker, Darlington Avenue, and will also be present at the bar-mitzvah of their nephew, Morris Lesnoff.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Leon, Queen Mary Road, have returned from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Feldman, Vendome Avenue, spent several days at Lac Brule.

Mrs. H. Kitz, of Halifax, is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Silver, Queen Mary Road.

Mrs. Richard Kramer, Ponsard Avenue, is spending a week in Ottawa.

Mrs. Herman Goodwin and son, Natman, of Swampscott, Mass., are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Fineberg, Prudhomme Avenue.

Mrs. Russell Brenner has returned to Scarsdale, N.Y., after visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. S. Goldman, Lacombe Avenue.

Mrs. Irving I. Selig, Brodeur Avenue, is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Goldberg, in Brookline, Mass.

Mrs. Arthur Flanders, Vendome Avenue, has returned from Toronto, where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Roger.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Klein, Vendome Avenue, entertained forty guests at dinner and afterwards received at the Montefiore Club. The decorations were carried out with Spring flowers. Mrs. M. Gross was in charge of the tea room, assisted by Mesdames L. Cofland, Lionel Rose, H. Singer, A. Freeman, and Miss Phyllis Merson. About one hundred and fifty guests were present.

Mrs. Harry J. Stern and daughter, Stephanie, Sherbrooke Street West, have returned from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kruger and family, Murray Hill Avenue, have returned from St. Margaret's, Quebec, where they spent the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Glickman, Sherbrooke Street West, have returned from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Greenberg, Renfrew Avenue, have returned from New York.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rudolph, Strathcona Avenue, have returned from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Brontman, Westmount Avenue, have returned from a visit to Toronto.

Miss Harriet Bloomfield, who is attending Bryn Mawr College at Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloomfield, Western Avenue.

Mrs. A. L. Gittleson, Dorchester Street West, has returned from New York, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Laura Berkind.

Mrs. I. Levinoff, Sherbrooke Street West, has gone to Toronto and will also visit relatives in Chicago.

Miss Eva Goldenberg, Mount Stephen Avenue, has returned from Toronto where for the past several months she visited her aunt, Mrs. M. Gelber, Huron Street.

Mrs. Philip Cohn, Victoria Avenue, gave a tea for Miss Sylvia Leitman, a bride-elect.

Mrs. E. Kutzman, Grosvenor Avenue, entertained twelve guests at a luncheon presentation in honor of Miss Shirley Lupovich, bride-elect.

Mrs. Lawrence Landa, Roslyn Avenue, entertained at a birthday party in honor of her daughter, Denise, who was two years old.

Mrs. A. W. Lefcort, Roslyn Avenue, was hostess at an evening musicale, Mrs. Percival Silverman, of Manchester, England, sang. Peter Heller, of Vienna, Austria, was the accompanist and Mae Weinman played the violin. Seventeen guests were present.

Mrs. Mac Silver, Decarie Boulevard, has returned from Miami Beach, Florida, where she spent the winter.

Dr. B. A. Mallin, Park Avenue, has returned from Chicago, where he attended the convention of the Illinois Chiropodists.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kemmer, Solomons Avenue, were at home and also entertained at a birthday party in honor of their son, Gerald Stanley, who was one year old.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gillatz, McEachran Avenue, entertained at an evening in honor of their daughter, Rosalind, whose engagement to Saul Radowitz has been announced.

Mrs. Joseph Bleher, Van Horne Avenue, entertained at a luncheon presentation in honor of Miss Shirley Lupovich, a bride-elect. The table was decorated with green carnations and white snapdragons and white tapers. About forty-five guests were present.

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pass by April 1st, when the observance begins. They are Rabbis Isaac Toubin, of New York, assigned to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Shepherd Z. Baum, of New York, assigned to Puerto Rico; Henry M. Rosenthal, of New York; assigned to Bermuda; Lavy M. Becker, of Boston, assigned to Trinidad; H. C. H. Levine, of Bangor, Me., assigned to Newfoundland, and Morton Baumann, of Hollywood, Cal., assigned to Alaska.

All but Rabbi Baumann will return to the United States after the holiday period. Rabbi Baumann will remain in Alaska indefinitely to expand Jewish Welfare Board activities in Alaskan camp territories.

In cooperation with the Jewish Welfare Board's local committees and with James L. McBride, the senior chaplain of the Alaskan command, Rabbi Baumann will provide for the Passover worship-pays at Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Fort Richardson and Sitka. Special holiday supplies for the men in Alaska have been shipped directly, from the Pacific Coast by the San Francisco regional headquarters of the Board. That office has also handled the shipment of supplies for the sailors in Hawaii.

In the Panama Canal Zone, seder services will be held in both Panama City and Balboa, on the Atlantic and Pacific sides of the isthmus. These have been arranged by Rabbi Nathan Witkin, field representative of the Board in the Canal Zone. In Bermuda, a community seder has been arranged by the local Board committee in cooperation with the Army and Navy authorities.

Other Passover services for soldiers will take place in Antigua, Jamaica and Trinidad, B.W.I., Paramaribo, Aruba and Curacao, N.W.I., Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Newfoundland and Iceland. American Jewish soldiers in Iceland, still [illegible] in conjunction with [illegible] and several refugee families residing there.

Jewish men are also stationed with the units in St. Lucia and British Guiana. Army authorities are cooperating in arrangements to bring these men to nearby Trinidad for the services to be conducted by Rabbi Becker.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Crystal, Hutchison Street, were hosts in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilner, who were recently married and who were presented with a gift. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. D. Steinfeld, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. J. Strumer and daughter, Vera, Mr. and Mrs. M. Guntman, Mr. and Mrs. L. Corbo, Mr. and Mrs. L. Deitcher, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Granofsky. Miss Vera Strumer recited, Mrs. L. Deitcher sang Hebrew songs, and Mrs. H. Granofsky sang Jewish folk songs.

Honoring Mrs. Ben. Marcovitch, nee Sarah Segal, were: Misses Annie Naglia, Esther Shirgal, Rose Grussman, Bertha Mendelsohn, Goldie Fogel, Sylvia Carol, Bertha Segal, Annie Gottheil, Mrs. J. Greenstein and Mrs. E. Isenberg, at a tea and presentation of a chest of flatware; Mrs. Louis Schachter, Wiseman Avenue, aunt of the bride, evening presentation of an electric broiler; and Mrs. A. Schachter, Clarke Street, theatre presentation.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Isaacs, Park Avenue, gave a dinner in honor of their daughter, Edith, whose engagement to Percy Greenberg, son of Mrs. R. Greenberg and the late Mr. Greenberg, has been announced. Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. S. Isaacs, Mrs. Rae Greenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Hockenstein, Mr. and Mrs. S. White, Miss Miriam Merovitch, Oscar Greenberg, and Henry Zipes.

Mrs. Morris Hoppenheim, formerly Miss Rhoda Barbara Bessner, was entertained by Mrs. Max Hoppenheim and Miss Ray Hoppenheim at luncheon and presentation of silver cutlery: Mrs. G. Wolfe and Mrs. L. Shames, tea and presentation of a dinner set; Mesdames M. Mandelzys, R. Budner and I. Mandelzys, tea and presentation of a hors d'oeuvre dish; Mrs. I. Ward and Mrs. J. Agulnick, tea and presentation of a broiler.

Mrs. S. Mestel, Park Avenue, gave a tea in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. Schwartz, of Bronx, N.Y., others present being: Mr. and Mrs. A. Pappelbaum, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cohen, Mesdames M. Nadler, S. Kalechman, M. Halmovitz, H. Ungar, L. Rubinovich, and M. Guttman for whom Mrs. Schwartz poured the tea.

Mrs. S. B. Kalechman, Durocher Avenue, entertained at an evening presentation in honor of Mrs. A. Schwartz, of Bronx, N.Y. Those present were: Mesdames M. Glazer, L. A. Litvack, W. M. Litvack, A. Kalechman, Lyon Cohen, M. Nadler, B. Safran, A. Pappelbaum, I. Schwartz, and S. Mestel. Mrs. M. Nadler poured the tea and the hostess cut the teas.

Mrs. H. Miller, St. Urbain Street, gave a tea at Eaton's, honoring Miss Fanny Malkus, a bride-elect of May. Decorations were carried out with red roses and white candles. A presentation of a pair of marble and bronze book ends was made. Present were: Mrs. H. Malkus, mother of the bride; and sisters of the groom, Mrs. H. Titleman, Mrs. H. Eclove, Mrs. N. Neporant, and Misses Florence and Mary Leffell; Mesdames J. Leffell, H. Fishman, L. Handelman, N. Klein, S. Drymer, K. Stovsky, M. Miller, S. Vineberg, J. Allman, H. Caplan, M. Dubitsky, H. Silver, Misses Sylvia Helfield, Evelyn Fishman, and Edith Titleman.

Mrs. A. Turner, St. Urbain Street, gave a tea in honor of Mrs. Sydney Baskin, formerly Miss Ethel Schwartz, a bride of March 15. The bride was presented with a boudoir chair. Those present were Mesdames J. Turner, B. Lubin, A. Lubin, C. Lubin, H. Frank, H. Feldman, P. Baker, M. Stein, A. Leithman, H. Michaels, F. Marcus, J. Preston, S. Luck, B. Goldman, H. Spiegel, H. Penner, H. Shapiro, E. Starr, S. Starr, A. Sherman, E. Smiley, H. Groper, M. Cohen, D. Starr, P. Shuter, H. Wagner, J. Alpert, J. Fox, D. Baskin, A. Schwartz, H. Baskin, L. Cooperman, Misses Irene Luck, Fay Fox, Annie Baskin, Rose Morris, Ruth Witkov, Ida Rubin, Bella Goldman, and Pearl Merson.

Entertaining in honor of Miss Sarah Wolfson, whose marriage to Nat. Bernstein takes place on March 29th, were: Mrs. I. Wolfson, Hutchison Street, mother of the bride, at an evening presentation; Mrs. M. Bernstein, City Hall Avenue, dinner presentation; Miss Claire Wolfson and Mesdames V. Resnick, Abe Fish, and N. Price, linen shower; Miss Fanny Marantz, Edward Charles Street, tea presentation; Mrs. Charles Wolfson, Queen Mary Road, tea presentation; Miss Yetta Sandler and Mrs. Mac Rosenthal, luncheon presentation at Eaton's; Mesdames N. Price and V. Resnick, tea presentation at Eaton's; Mrs. W. Rabinovitch, Devaar Avenue, evening presentation; Miss Lillian Solomon, Champagneur Avenue, tea presentation at Eaton's; Misses Ruth Naemark, Grace Goldenberg, Tillie Smith, Sylvia London, Anne Cytrynbaum, Ida Woman, and Rosalyn Tafler, luncheon presentation; Miss Claire Wolfson, tea presentation at the Mount Royal Hotel.

At Palomino Lodge, Ivry, were: Mr. and Mrs. H. Tarshis, Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wolfe, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Lazare.

Stopping at Four Seasons Lodge, Ste. Agathe, were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Lupovich and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Perlman, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. William Malus, Mr. and Mrs. L. Tinkoff, Mr. and Mrs. S. Marmerstein, Mrs. H. Kitz, of Halifax, N.S., Mrs. Enid Kugel, Mrs. L. Frolich, Miss Bertha Lesser, Miss Sybil Levinson, Oscar Faerman, Harry Benjamin, Simon Greenspoon, and M. Freedman, of Ottawa.

At Laing's Inn, Ste. Agathe, were: Misses Lillian Orans, of New York, Stella Gordon, of New York, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mintz, of New York, Misses Rose Liffrwack, Grace Rigler, Sonja Betterman, Anita Silverman, Alice Goldstein, Ethelda Blumer, Lillian Steinberg, Bess Albert, Roguel Albert, Belle Sherman, Goldie Rosen, Julienne Zitner, Claire Diamond; I. Margolis, Moe Sherback, Oscar Cohene, Charles Maidoff, M. Yale, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fox, Louis Lebner, David Crossman, Max H. Saltzman, Mrs. M. Mayoff, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Abramowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Brown, I. Wenger, Benjamin Stein, David Goodman, Lionel Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Max Monk, Louis Malus, Alex Joseph, and Samuel Horowitz.

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BAR-MITZVAHS

Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lezmoff, St. Cyril Avenue, will be called to the reading of the Law on Saturday morning, March 28th, at Adath Israel Synagogue. Luncheon will be served at home to the immediate family.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Joseph Shpritser, who passed away March 25th, 1941.

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BIRTHS

Born, on March 20th, at the Jewish General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. David Mayne (nee Frances Akman), a daughter, sister of Bernice and Eileen.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ram (nee Sylvia Lipman), a daughter, Myrna.

Born, on March 22nd, at the Jewish General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Nadler (nee Rose Long), a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Rosenthal, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 21st, a son, brother of Jack.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen (nee Mary Frank) a daughter.

Born, at the Water Street Hospital, Ottawa, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor (nee Fanny Pollock), a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George Diamond, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 19th, a daughter.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Glazer (nee Josephine Olenker), a son.

Born, on March 19th, at the Royal Victoria Montreal Maternity Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldenberg (nee Ida Fixman), a son, brother of Kathleen.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, March 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Lightman, a daughter, sister of Tobe and Norman.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Segal (nee Ethel Titlebaum), a daughter. (Stillborn).

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. George Fitleberg (nee Ida Shulman), a daughter.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 23rd, to Dr. and Mrs. William H. Gavzie (nee Emily Lazarus), a son.

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• MONTREAL MEETINGS •

• **WAR EFFORTS COMMITTEE:** Special cards for all occasions have been prepared for the Comforts Fund of the Women's Division, making the recipient the donor of a comfort box or cigarettes to some soldier overseas, in due time to receive acknowledgement from the beneficiary. These cards are suitable for Passover, Mother's Day, anniversaries, bar-mitzvahs, birthdays, etc. Call Mrs. M. Silverstein, 4900 Sherbrooke Street West, Fl. 4886, or, War Efforts Committee, Pl., 6861. In the recent Victory Loan drive, the R.C.A.F. men organized themselves into teams and canvassed all men stationed with the result that over $35,000 was subscribed. Special mention is made of the work of Cpl. Bernard Wexler, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Wexler who, together with Cpl. H. E. Hills, was responsible for obtaining subscriptions totalling $5,000.

News for this column is accepted with the understanding that it is not to appear in daily newspapers before Friday of the same week. Items that do appear in daily papers before the Review goes to press will be omitted.

• **RED CROSS,** Jewish Branch: Mrs. Abe Vogel, 5462 Park Avenue, entertained at a vanishing tea for the Circle Group. Guests were: Mesdames Max Astroff, Jack Pickard, Alfred Pearson, Misses Frances Astroff and Fannie Scheffer.

• **B'NAI BRITH JUNIOR LEAGUE:** Mount Royal Chapter met at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue. Miss Corinne Ornstein, president, presided. A joint meeting was held by the Chapter and A.Z.A., Junior B'nai Brith. Rabbi H. Abramowitz was guest speaker. Fred Solomon, president of A.Z.A., thanked him.

• Peter Bercovitch, K.C., M.P., has been appointed honorary president of Ypres No. 53, Canadian Legion British Empire Service League of Montreal.

• **HEBREW CONSUMPTIVE AID ASSOCIATION,** N.D.G. Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. Soloman, 4927 Dorval Avenue.

• **HEBREW LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY:** Mrs. H. Rottman, Dunver Avenue, declared open through Mrs. F. Greenfield, the Hale Claims Campaign in memory of her late husband, H. Reitman.

• **PIONEER WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION** Goldie Myerson Group met at the home of Mrs. M. Yagod, 831 Stuart Avenue. Mrs. H. D. Cheifetz reviewed "Jacob" by Irving Fineman.

• **RED CROSS** Jewish Branch will be closed April 1st and 2nd and April 8th and 9th, for the Passover holidays. Newly-elected members of the Executive and Board are: president, Mrs. Samuel Bronfman; vice-presidents, Mesdames D. Chorlton, M. Cooperberg, F. Levy, A. Finestone, A. Ragimsky, M. Silverstein, J. Block; treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Levinson; recording and social secretary, Mrs. B. H. Rubin. Chairman of committees: Miss Evelyn Silver, knitting records; Mesdames L. Sperber, knitting inspection; H. L. Sourkes, conservation; J. Spritzer, conservation; H. Segall, slippers; H. Rosenbaum, aviation belts; H. Simon, cutting; Saul Orban, blankets; M. Kolber, telephone; M. Carber, speakers; H. Robinson, purchasing; W. Riven, horse; J. H. Waner, entertainment; S. Leopold, R. Sapora, manufacturers' salvage; B. H. Rubin, comfort kits; N. Fury, auditor; M. Broh, membership; S. Leopold, attendance; M. Cummings, ironing; G. Rotsky, ways and means; Lss. Phillips, Jason Women's Division of Canadian Jewish Congress. Board: Mesdames S. Alred, J. M. Benjamin, J. Bogante, Allan Bronfman, Sr., Harry Bronfman, H. M. Caiserman, J. Caplan, Leon Crestohl, M. Cushof, C. C. Gillelz, W. Gittes, Sol. Goldman, F. Green, D. Grobstein, Clarence Gross, Sol. Harris, S. Isaacs, J. J. Jacobs, P. Jacobson, J. Kellert, J. Kruger, S. Lenvitz, F. Leopold, H. Liverman, S. L. Mendelsohn, Michael Morris, J. Newman, L. Raich, C. Rosenberg, H. Rother, H. Samit, C. Shiller, J. Shulman, Martin Simon, W. Solomon, Marcus Sperber, P. Steinberg, M. Surchin, D. Tennenbaum, M. Wharasky, S. Wittes, D. Wolofsky, L. Kolber, Misses Rona Bronfman, Muriel Rabinovitch, Florence Steinberg, Betty Rubin, Rose Block. Advisory Board: I. Greenberg, J. Klein, P. Abbey, H. E. Herschorn, Harvey Golden.

• **TEMPLE EMANU-EL:** Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: Service, Friday, March 27th, at 8:15 p.m., observance of National Day of Prayer in accordance with His Majesty's request. Sermon: "Prayer And Morale". Saturday, March 28th, at 11:30, sermonette. Passover services: Wednesday, April 1st, at 8:45 p.m., annual congregational seder at 7:15; Thursday, April 2nd, at 10:30 a.m., sermon, "The Wondrous Story Of Freedom"; Passover Sabbath services, Friday, April 3rd at 8.15. Model seder, Sunday morning, March 29th, in the Religious School Assembly, will be presented by Eric Miller, Joan Segal, Peter Margo, Cyril Lewis, Justine Solomon. Brotherhood luncheon at the Montefiore Club, heard Dr. Kenneth Norris, Principal of Sir George Williams College, speak on "Education And The Post-War Period." In appreciation for services which Lawrence Marks rendered the Public Speaking Group, a presentation was made to him. Father and Son banquet, Sunday evening, April 26th. Sisterhood mother and daughter Sabbath takes place Saturday, April 18th, followed by luncheon. On Friday evening, April 17th, Lazare Saminsky, Jewish composer, former director of Temple Emanu-El choir, of New York, will be guest-lecturer and will conduct the choir in the Sabbath ritual of his own compositions. Public invited. A formal inscription on the Memorial Tablet was made in memory of the late Max Aronowitz, of Albany, N.Y. Charles N. Sommer, honorary trustee, kindled the light. Parent-Teacher Association, on Wednesday evening, April 22nd, will have as guest speaker, I. Konowitz, educational director of Shaare Zion Synagogue, at a meeting in charge of Mrs. C. Alexander and Miss Frances Katz.

• **YOUNG JUDAEA** debate between Montreal and Toronto will be held on Sunday, March 29th, at 4 p.m., at the Judaean Centre, 5334 Park Avenue. Topic: "Resolved that parties in Zionism are beneficial to the movement." Miss Celia Josse and Reuben Shulov will represent Montreal. Public invited. Dance in honour of Toronto guests, on Saturday night, March 28th, at Zionist Headquarters. Leadership Club of Ottawa Young Judaea met at the home of A. J. Freiman, Rabbi O. Z. Farman spoke on "The History Of Zionism". The Leadership group is under the auspices of the Judaean Advisory Committee of which J. C. Horwitz is chairman. One club is led by Miss Gertie Shinder, another by Miss Becky Fagin. Miss Sally Staller is replacing Miss Ann Dworkin as leader of the Daughters Of Palestine, allowing Miss Dworkin, president of Ottawa Young Judaea, to devote more time to all groups. Baby clothing was sent to Britain by dramatized Judaeans: Misses Edith Rapoport, Sylvia Zatin, Lena Stren, Sarah Rapner, Rose Resnick, Ethel Rapoport, president. Others who helped were Misses Esther Lunenfeld, Jean Lipovitch, Lilian Stemeroff, Dr. Mark Zimmerman, national president of Canadian Young Judaea; Mannie Brown, supervisor of Toronto Young Judaea; David Newman and Miss Ida Greenberg will alternate every week in going to Hamilton to instruct the group there.

• **JEWISH GENERAL HOSPITAL** Women's Auxiliary Juniors election meeting takes place at the Jewish General Hospital on Sunday, March 29th, at 2.45 p.m., also registration for first aid, home nursing, and nutrition courses and such services to the hospital as visitors control, medical library, surgical dressings. Three prizes from the Women's Auxiliary to the girls bringing in the most members will be presented. Every girl is eligible. Those joining before this meeting will be known as founder members. Information from Mrs. Mac Segal, ELwood 7423.

• **HEBREW CONSUMPTIVE AID ASSOCIATION** thirty-ninth annual banquet, at the Talmud Torah, had Jack R. Boganta, president, presiding. Max Scherer was present, having recovered from illness. Maurice Hartt, M.L.A., Max Seigler, Jack Rosenthal, M. Ginsburg spoke and Daniel Silver sang, accompanied by Professor J. Rosemarin. Canadian National Railways moving pictures were shown.

• **HADASSAH:** President of Canadian Hadassah, Mrs. A. Raginsky, announces the presentation, this week, of funds for two fully equipped mobile kitchens. One cheque was sent to the Red Cross for the purchase of the mobile kitchen for England, and funds were raised abroad for the purchase of one for use of the Allied Forces in Palestine. These kitchens, or canteens, will be equipped to serve not only hot soup or tea, but complete meals for approximately 250 persons at a time, and will have emergency first-aid supplies, etc. These two canteens cost $6,000.00.

• **HOSPITAL OF HOPE:** Hyman Grover, campaign chairman, presided at the opening dinner at the Mount Royal Hotel. Speakers: Dr. H. J. Stern, Miss Elyse Bercovitch, M. Maurice Hartt, M.L.A., Max Seigler, H. Grover, Jack R. Bogante, chairman of the hospital. Cantor N. Mendelson sang. A. Fleisher and A. Glassman were hosts at a dinner.

• **JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF CANADA:** Umshlkin Golden Book Memorial meeting in Ottawa had present the national Zionist president, A. J. Freiman, and the national Mizrachi president, Leon Petegorsky. L. S. Greenberg, co-chairman of the J.N.F. Council, presided. Herman S. Rootman, director of J.N.F., introduced Rev. J. H. Goldbloom, of Montreal, J. N. F. director in Canada, who spoke. Rabbi O. Z. Farman introduced Rabbi Charles Bender, of Montreal, national chairman of the Umshlkin Golden Book Committee. The sum of $3,703 was realized, quota being $3,000. Dr. A. Gadiel and Martin Kleinfeld informed the office that the refugees of the camp in Sherbrooke, Que., celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Fund. Cantor Max Mushkatork sang Yiddish songs; H. Kaufman played the violin; H. Blume accompanied at the piano. About 400 people paid five cents each, and realized $20. For the first time since this camp was opened, the military authorities allowed civilians without official status to attend, Rabbi Mittleman and S. G. Vineberg being representatives of the Sherbrooke community. At the Refugee Camp at Ile Aux Noix, Rev. J. H. Goldbloom spoke and $20 was raised.

• **WAR EFFORTS COMMITTEE WOMEN'S DIVISION** of the Canadian Jewish Congress met at the Montefiore Club, Mrs. Lazarus Phillips presiding. Mrs. W. A. Patton spoke on V-Bundles and Mrs. H. M. Ripstein undertook to organize V-Bundle work. The following executive was elected: president, Mrs. Lazarus Phillips; vice-presidents, Mesdames J. J. Block, H. M. Caiserman, L. D. Crestohl, F. Leopold, S. Leopold; recording secretary, Mrs. P. Vineberg; corresponding, Mrs. W. N. Carin; treasurer, Mrs. H. Levine; advisory board, Mesdames S. Bronfman, S. W. Jacobs, A. Raginsky; others, Mesdames M. Ryman, S. Oelbaum, B. Lande, H. Freidman, Ross Medine, S. Herschon, Harry Rother, E. Regal, H. M. Ripstein, George Rotsky, L. Selig, E. Solomon, I. Stewart, M. Silverstein, Samuel Cohen, H. Singer, S. Eberbrier, Allan Bronfman Sr., Maxwell Cummings, J. Fox, P. Fram, C. C. Gillelz, A. Godel, Alton Goldbloom, C. Gross, Sydney Lovitt, Samuel Pozner, Phillip Levy, H. Robinson, C. Rosenthal, B. H. Rubin, R. Seigler, Arthur Simon, N. Surchin, H. D. Cheifetz.

Campbellton, N.B.

A farewell reception was held at the home of Mrs. J. Litwin of Campbellton, N.B. in honor of Rabbi G. Felder, who accepted a position in Sarnia, Ontario, and for Mr. and Mrs. A. Cohen who left for Montreal. An address to Rabbi Felder was given by Mrs. Taube Rosenbek on behalf of the communities of Campbellton and Dalhousie. Rabbi Felder was presented with a brush and comb set, and Mrs. A. Cohen with a tablecloth of a fruit design by the Lillian Freiman Chapter.

Abe Yudis, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Yudis, of Campbellton, became bar-mitzvah, having been prepared by Rabbi G. Felder. Kiddush was served. The bar-mitzvah received from Hadassah, of which his mother is a member, a certificate of tree from to be planted in his name in the Umshlkin Memorial Forest in Palestine.

"Down With Conscription, Down With Jews" Is Montreal Riot Chant

Anti-conscription riots with an anti-Semitic tinge broke out in Montreal with youthful demonstrators blocking traffic, smashing store and street car windows, and howling "A bas la conscription" and "A bas les Juifs" from the far north end, where they attended the Pouliot plebiscite meeting, to St. Lawrence Boulevard and Pine Avenue. Police broke up the crowd there in a flurry of street fighting and made at least nine arrests.

Chants of "A bas les Juifs" were added to "A bas la conscription" when the demonstrators turned west on Bernard Avenue. Several automobile drivers, irked at the traffic jam, drove into the rear ranks. When the anti-conscriptionists turned south on Park Avenue the crowds along the sidewalk grew.

In front of the Y.M.H.A. an altercation broke out on the sidewalk and a few fists were swung without damage.

In the predominantly Jewish section, the demonstration developed into a riot with the main plate glass window of Richstone's, a bakery at 3683 St. Lawrence Boulevard, and a show window at Costiner's Stationery and Toy Store at 3951 St. Lawrence being smashed.

When the rioters showed a tendency to argue the order from the police to "break it up and go home" and insisted upon making complaints that they had been "attacked with sticks by Jews while they were peaceably demonstrating," the police charged the rioters and chased them along Cuilbeault Street, Arcade Street and dispersed them, in some cases with as much violence as the occasion demanded.

There were no police officers injured in comparison to the eight hurt during the February riots.

Meanwhile, another group of rioters south of Napoleon Street on St. Lawrence Boulevard became involved with police reserves who were soon joined by Jewish youths from the sidewalks who had awaited the arrival of the police. It was in this group that most of the arrests were made.

With the mob out of hand, there was jeering and cat-calling, pushing baby-carriages and banging on tin cans and old tubs, throwing ice and smashing windows on street cars, and banging on passing automobiles with sticks.

At Pine Avenue, Captain John Ennis, in charge of the anti-subversive squad, decided to bring the rioters to a halt. Extra patrol wagons and reserves were called. The Night Patrol detectives under orders of Det.-Capt. Ephrem Coulombe also responded.

At Laurier Avenue, the glass in a street car door was broken. Pieces of ice were flung at automobiles which failed to follow instructions of self-elected traffic officers among the paraders.

Hindering traffic along Chateaubriand, north end side streets, St. Hubert and Beaubien Streets, the paraders pulled trolley-busses off their power lines and stuck sticks in windows. Back along St. Lawrence Boulevard, the youths pulled trolleys on several street cars off the wire.

DENIES JEWISH ARMY ISSUE DIVIDES JEWRY

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ferences adopted a resolution favoring the establishment of such a force; they have equally acted contrary to the overwhelming sentiment of the Jewish people of this country. Sanction of the proposal has come not only from the vast majority of Jewish religious leaders in the land; it has found equally strong approval among the lay leaders of the American Jewish community. It has been accorded no less enthusiastic support among large numbers of non-Jews.

"The organization of a Jewish military force in Palestine is dictated by elementary justice no less than by common sense, and the great mass of American Jewry stands firmly behind the demand of the Jews in Palestine for their own forces, fighting under their own name though under British or Allied command and defending their homeland in full dignity as a people."

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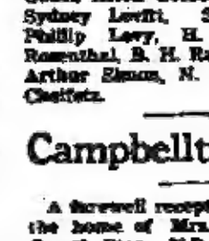
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MARRIAGES

Reider-Solomon

The marriage of Sari, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Reider, to Harold Solomon, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Marcovitch, took place on Sunday, March 8th, Rabbi Julius Berger officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a pale aquamarine colored suit dress of crepe, hat to match with brown veiling, brown accessories, and corsage of yellow and brown spray orchids. Miss Shirley Reider, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and wore a beige dress, with matching hat, and corsage of American Beauty roses. Al. Silver was best man. Barry Yahe, cousin of the bride, was page boy. Mrs. Reider, mother of the bride, received in a black crepe dress and black and white hat with corsage of white carnations, and Mrs. Marcovitch, mother of the groom, was in a black dress and hat, and corsage of Johanna Hill roses. There were one hundred guests, among them Mr. and Mrs. J. Friendly and Miss Sylvia Friendly, of Shawinigan Falls. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Solomon spent their honeymoon in the Laurentians and are now living at 960 Dollard Avenue.

Marcovitch-Segal

The marriage of Miss Sarah Segal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Segal, 4394 St. Dominique Street, to LAC Ben. Marcovitch, of the R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Marcovitch, of Ottawa, was solemnized on Saturday evening, March 21st, at the Tokay Restaurant, with Rabbi S. Herschorn officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. She wore a white satin gown trimmed with lace, and made with a satin train. She had a crown of tulle illusion, and she carried a bible with streamers. Her maid of honor was Miss Annie Naglin, who wore a gown with pink and blue crepe print top with the skirt of blue tulle, and carried a nosegay of carnations. The groom was given away by his parents and was attended by his brother, Max Marcovitch, as best man. Supper was served to one hundred and twenty-five guests. Mrs. Segal wore a gown of blue crepe, with a corsage of American Beauty roses; and Mrs. Marcovitch, black crepe, with a similar corsage. The couple left for Toronto and Niagara Falls, the bride travelling in a black crepe dress trimmed with green, a brown broadtail coat trimmed with lamb, and green accessories. Out-of-town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Marcovitch, parents of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. W. Suffrin, uncle and aunt of the groom; Misses Beckie and Ray Suffrin, Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Saslove, Mr. and Mrs. L. Bluestein, Mrs. Max Marcovitch, Mrs. L. Ginsberg, all of Ottawa; and Mrs. A. Marcovitch, of Bowesville, Ontario.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. E. Pekeles, Esplanade Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Libby, to Abe, only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rosen, St. Urbain Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Liebling, Hutchison Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sally, to Nathan, son of Emanuel Groulx, St. Urbain Street, and the late Mrs. Groulx, the marriage to take place in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gillets announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosalind, to Saul, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Radowitz.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Pfeiffer, Papineau Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rose, to Isadore, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Finkelstein, Esplanade Avenue.

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The Reconstructionist Viewpoint

PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL FREEDOM

By Bernard Heller, Associate Editor, The Reconstructionist

Grim and gruesome are the legends of the Israelites' trials and tribulations in Egypt. They tell of abject servitude, crushing cruelties, and soul-stifling oppressions suffered daily by the dwellers of Goshen. The Israelites would have been justified in conceiving 'the going out of Egypt' as a most significant and epochal event, even if it spelt only physical liberation. In reading the Pentateuch, however, we come across a statement which seems to convey contrary testimony about the condition and status of the Jews in Egypt. In the Book of Numbers, we find the Israelites complaining to Moses for having taken them out of the land of Egypt. They think of Egypt as a place where they enjoyed peace and plenty. "We remember the fish, which we ate in Egypt for naught; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks . . . But now our soul is faint, there is nothing at all, only to the Manna are our eyes directed." The flesh-pots of Egypt seem, by contrast, to have associated their sojourn in Egypt with the good old days.

This contradiction, however, can be resolved if one endeavors to answer the following questions: Who is a slave; and who is a free man? Is he only a slave who is forced to work and labor under the whip of a taskmaster? Is there not also a slave of economic circumstances and social conditions? How about the man who is compelled to toil and sweat in order to ward off starvation and want, is he a free man?

"The man who gives me employment," says Henry George, "which I must have or suffer, that man is my master, let me call him what I will." How about the man who claims to be his own master, who is not forced to spend the major part of the day attending to the whirring wheels of a machine, but who, nevertheless, is held in the clutches of a passion? How about the man who is obsessed with a ceaseless gnawing of an unstilled craving for material possessions or power, the man who believes that business comes not only before pleasure but also before home, family and faith? Is such a man to be deemed free? How about the man who is the victim of a degrading habit, who allows all his precious moments of recreation to be consumed by stultifying pastimes? Are not such persons slaves of even more relentless masters and tyrants?

The slave is not only he whose body is the property of another, or who works under duress. There is such a thing as a freedom which is independent of physical compulsion; and there is such a thing as a slavery which may bind one though he need not account to any other person for his movements and actions. The prophet Jeremiah was in chains; Epictetus, the Roman philosopher, was a slave, and yet, it may be said that they enjoyed the highest kind of liberty. Physical liberation and true freedom do not always go together. "Excessive liberty, leads both nations and individuals into excessive slavery," is a keen observation of Cicero's.

Who then is a slave; and who is not? A slave may be said to be a man who perceives his daily tasks to be a burden and a drudgery, yielding nothing but spiritual stagnation and degradation. A free man is he, whose work is to him a labor of love, a vocation which he has selected and accepted, a task which he feels is a vehicle for the highest expression and noblest aspiration of his soul. In other words, a free man is he who makes his master an Ideal, which elevates and consecrates the devotee, an ideal whose value transcends that of material gain and pleasure, one which lifts its believer to summits where the vision is unclouded and where one can serenely commune with stars and sky.

The possession of such an ideal or cause is necessary for the higher and more complete freedom. Such an ideal emancipates a man from the lure and limitations of self. The tethers of avarice and appetite are snapped and in place of selfishness there is humanity in place of material obsessions and ambitions there are spiritual visions and revelations.

Such an Ideal implies a belief in a Spirit, which is greater than our own fragmentary selves, and which the believer deems to be the source of all life, goodness, and truth. This Spirit is often designated by various names. Some call it Humanity; some call it Nature; some call it . . . God.

Secondly, the Ideal of freedom implies not only a purview, but also a path, not only a belief but a mode of behavior. And the character of that mode of behavior is one of ethical significance and esthetic sublimity.

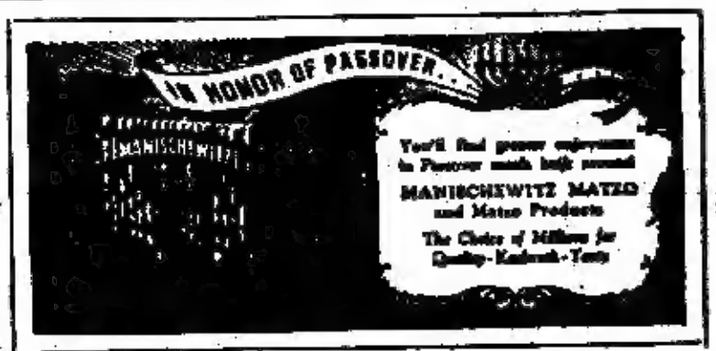
Life has a divine appeal and sanction to one who affirms a faith in such a God and Goodness. That life proffers to the devotee a joy and an ecstasy which nothing can destroy, not even the lash, the rack, nor the sword. His body may be in chains but his soul continues to be free. Without this 'soul-freedom' any emancipation is incomplete for it spells liberation only of the body and not of the spirit.

Moses, the great emancipator of Israel, perceived this truth. He saw his brethren in physical bondage, but what pained him more was the state of their souls. They became inured to slavery. Like the lower creatures they remained contented with food and sought not a faith.

"And Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, but they hearkened not unto Moses because of narrow vision and because of heavy labor." His mission was, therefore, to obtain their spiritual as well as their physical liberation. His message to his brethren was: "Be not content with the flesh-pots of Egypt. Yonder is a promised land . . . a Shrine, whereon cometh Goodness and Godliness." To Pharaoh he said, "Thus commandeth the Lord, God of Israel: 'Send forth my people so that they may worship Me.'"

The 'going out of Egypt' has acquired a most prominent position in Jewish life and doctrine because of its spiritual as well as historical significance. The 'going out of Egypt' constitutes the kernel or heart of Judaism. All the festivals, even the Sabbath, are associated with it. The ethical and humanitarian injunctions, too, have it as a basis. "Ye shall not vex or oppress the stranger for strangers have ye been in the land of Egypt." "And, ye shall observe all my commandments and ye shall be holy unto your God for I am the Lord who redeemed ye out of the land of Egypt."

True freedom is never something completely attained; but ever remains an aspiration.



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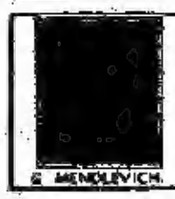

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MARRIAGES

Strashin-Kates

The marriage of Kate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kates, Robert Street, to Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Strashin, Rosemary Road, took place on March 22nd, at the Belvin, Rabbi David Monson and Cantor A. Steinberg officiating. The bride, given in marriage by her parents, wore a frock of blue crepe, with matching hat and shoulder-length veil of tulle, and carried a prayer book covered with orchids and streamers. Miss Miriam Kates, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, in a beige and brown frock, and matching hat, and carried a nosegay of roses. Samuel Strashin, brother of the groom, acted as best man. A dinner followed for one hundred guests. The bride's mother wore a black crepe dress trimmed with sequins, and a corsage of roses; the groom's mother, grey crepe, and a corsage of roses. The couple matured to Montreal, and will live in Toronto. Out-of-town guests were: Dr. I. Strashin, of Akron, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. I. Mann, of London, Ont.; and I. Rubin, of Ottawa.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

The approaching marriage of Ida, daughter of Mrs. A. B. Unroth and the late J. Unroth, Bellevue Avenue, to Maxwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Organek, Markham Street, will take place on May 3rd.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. David Kopman, Hillcrest Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanette, to Ralph, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Malach.

BAR - MITZVAHS

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Kernerman, 323 Brunswick Avenue, announce the bar-mitzvah of their son, Lionel, to take place on Saturday, March 28th, at 10 a.m. at Shomar Shabbath Synagogue, Brunswick Avenue at Sussex Avenue. They will be at home on Sunday, March 29th. No cards have been sent out.

Social Notes — Toronto

Mrs. Arthur Flanders, of Montreal, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Roger, Oriole Parkway.

Mrs. J. J. Phillips, of Cornwall, Ont., has returned home after visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Alderman and Mrs. Nathan Phillips, Lauder Avenue.

Major Joseph Tanzman, of Ottawa, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Cheritan Avenue.

Mrs. Charles Pierce, Bathurst Street, is back from Timmins and Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubin, Avenue Road, have returned from a week's stay in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Selig Gross, Austin Crescent, have returned from New York.

Miss Anita Berman has returned from a three months' visit with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Berman, of New York. She is now living with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Gringorten, 8 Connaught Circle.

Miss Bessie Hollenberg, of Winnipeg, Man., has returned home after spending two weeks, the guest of Miss Beatrice Corbin, Heath Street West.

Dr. Murray L. Simon, Otter Crescent, was in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dr. I. Strashin, of Akron, Ohio, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Strashin, Rosemary Road.

Mrs. I. Wineberg, of Brussels, Ont., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Wineberg, Grenadier Road.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Spindel, Kendal Avenue; Miss Rose Yaffe, Robert Street; and Miss Anne Edell, Sussex Avenue, were in Montreal for the marriage of Miss Frances Kalman to Samuel Spindel, and stopped at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mrs. Nat. Lustig, of Irvington, N.J., is visiting her aunt, Miss Ida Hillon, 1054 College Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garber, formerly of Montreal, have taken up residence at 1132 Avenue Road.

Mrs. P. Oestreich, of New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Stein, College Street.

Mrs. Arthur Schecter, of Montreal, formerly Miss Sally Perlman, of Toronto, has returned home after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Perlman, Crawford Street.

Mrs. S. Dorsey, Nina Avenue, gave a tea for Mrs. Arthur Flanders, of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Selig Gross, Austin Crescent, entertained Dr. Benedictus Sajet, of Amsterdam, at dinner.

Alderman and Mrs. Nathan Phillips, Lauder Avenue, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at a family dinner at the Royal York Hotel. Mrs. J. J. Phillips, of Cornwall, Ontario, was present.

Misses Ruth White, Thelma Silverberg, Freda Etkin, Hilda Glucksberg and Florence Warren, entertained at dinner for Miss Bernice Frankel, a bride-elect.

Major Joseph Tanzman, of Ottawa, was entertained at dinner by his family, those present being: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cowan, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Soles, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dackman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, and Mrs. Louis Posner.

Mesdames Richard Wallace, Paul Balmer, A. Brodey, Sigmund Frankel, Harry Harbour, Ralph Raphael, Percy Hermant, Charles Passman and Misses Clara and Minnie Kallmeyer and Violet Davis, entertained in honor of Mrs. J. J. Phillips, of Cornwall, Ont.

A shower to honor Miss Minnie Solomon, whose marriage to Harold Isenberg takes place shortly, was given at the Belvin. About two hundred guests were present. Mesdames I. Mintz, J. Solomon, M. Solomon, and J. Fine were hostesses.

Mrs. M. Kirshenbaum and Mrs. L. Kirsh were hostesses at the Belvin, to honor Miss Rose Shuster, whose marriage to Milton Kirsh takes place on April 17th. About twenty-five guests were present.

Mesdames A. Book, M. Muldofsky, F. Labofsky and W. Zaslofsky were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower at the Belvin, to honor Miss Anne Book, whose marriage to Max Leaky takes place in June. The honoree wore a blue crepe frock and corsage of gardenias. About one hundred and forty-five guests were present.

Mesdames I. Weinberg, L. Rosenfield, M. Grossman, A. Rubenstein, J. Gottlieb, J. Rosenberg, M. Cutler, L. Zuker, M. Polsner, C. H. Wortsman, L. Pellman, M. Krain, H. Bloom, H. Grossman, S. Grossman, H. Finkelstein, C. H. Gertner, L. Hartstone, C. H. Appel, J. Levine, and A. Larenbaum, entertained at a presentation evening at the Belvin, to honor Miss Lillian Weinberg, a bride-elect.

Mrs. Harry Silver, 207 Northcliffe Boulevard, was hostess at a luncheon to honor Miss Jean Silver, whose marriage to Milton Goldstein takes place on May 24th. The hostess received in a two-piece navy and white crepe dress, with red accessories, and a corsage of roses. The honoree wore a powder blue jersey frock, trimmed with navy and matching hat, and a corsage of roses and sweetpeas. About forty guests were present.

Mesdames A. Seligman, I. Pomotov, L. Sarick, M. Romer and J. Silverberg, were hostesses at a shower at Chudleigh House to honor Miss Raye Palmer, whose marriage to Nat. Lightman takes place on May 24th. The honoree wore a two-piece dress of turquoise, and pink carnations in her hair. The table, covered with a lace cloth, held pink candles, and was centred with a bowl of assorted flowers. About one hundred and ten guests were present.

Mrs. I. J. Weinrot and Mrs. I. Kravits were hostesses at a tea at the former's home, 8 Castleview Avenue, to honor Miss Helen Green, whose marriage to Morris Fruitman takes place on May 24th. The hostesses were assisted in receiving by Mrs. H. Fruitman, mother of the groom-elect, and Mrs. B. Green, mother of the bride-elect. The honoree wore yellow jersey, with brilliant green jewellery. The tea table, covered with a cutwork and linen cloth, held ivory candles and was centred with a bowl of red carnations and daffodils. Those who poured were Mrs. J. Bender, Mrs. G. Berman, and Miss Gerta Green, assisted by Misses Bess Chapnick, Frances Winopol, Esther Fruitman, Sue Shier, Gerry Berman, and Mrs. G. Partnoy. About one hundred and fifty-five guests called.

Mrs. C. Goldstein, Leonard Avenue, gave a tea at the Royal York Hotel, Tudor Room, to honor her daughter, Rose, whose marriage to Carl Tarnowsky takes place on May 31st. The hostess received in blue lace and matching jacket, trimmed with sequins, and a corsage of pink roses, and was assisted by Mrs. M. Tarnowsky, mother of the groom-elect, in black net and lace, and a corsage of pink roses. The honoree wore peach colored net trimmed with rosebuds, and an orchid in her hair. The tea table, covered with a lace cloth, held pink candles, and a centrepiece of white stocks, blue irises and pale pink carnations. Those who poured were: Mesdames L. Dunkelman, R. Gross, M. Fraser, and T. Lipson; their assistants being Misses Ida Fox, Celia Naftolin, and Janet Yalofsky, and Mesdames J. Milstone, M. Siegal, Harold Gross, and T. Goldstein. About one hundred guests called.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Goldstein, St. John's Road, gave a family dinner to celebrate the seventeenth birthday of their youngest daughter, Molly. Those present were: Mr and Mrs. A. Goldstein, Mr and Mrs. E. Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fine, Mr. and Mrs. L. Appelby, Mr. and Mrs. B. Fine, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jafine, Mr. and N. Fine, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fine, Mrs. Rose Axler, Misses Anne Goldstein, Carol Axler, Marlene and Sheila Fine and Muriel Shapiro, fiance of Archie Goldstein, R.C.A.M.C., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Goldstein, who is overseas; and Norman Goldstein, Samuel Berman, Herbert and Allan Appelby, Jules Fine, David Goldstein, Edward Goldstein, Murray and Bernard Jafine. The table held a centrepiece of roses. Mrs. Goldstein wore a frock of blue skirt and lame top, and the honoree wore a two-piece wine colored suit.

Entertaining for Mrs. J. Goldstein, formerly Miss Raye Handelman, were: Miss Cecile Blumes, at a presentation tea; Miss Dora Freed, presentation dinner and theatre party; Mrs. B. Fields, presentation tea at King Edward Hotel; Mrs. A. Ely, sister of the bride, presentation bridge; Miss Rose Glasberg, presentation tea at the Royal York Hotel; Miss Gertrude Glickman, presentation tea; Miss Clara Solomon, presentation tea; Mesdames A. Marks, R. Siegal, S. Sigler, Harry Marks, Harry List, and Rose Kenwick Hersh; and Misses Dora Freed, Anne Pearlman, Bess Asher, Hilda Pearlman, Rose Cohen, Mildred Shinen, Lyla Cohen, Miriam Harris, Jean Goldman, Rose S. Goldman, Sophie Pullan, Ruth Oster, Anne Baker, Lottie Pomerlan, Rose Fricher, Mildred Gould, Molly Lerner, Cecile Blumes, Sara Maldawsky, Rose Lillian Kauder, Ethel Pugen, Ida Pichenik, Clara Pichenik, Mildred Handelman, and Bess Elsner, presentation luncheon; Miss Shirley Pearson, presentation tea at Royal York Hotel; Mrs. H. Freedman and Mrs. M. Caplan and Miss Beatrice Hartzman, presentation tea at King Edward Hotel; and Mrs. M. Frank, presentation tea. Mrs. Goldstein will live in Chicago.

Honoring Mrs. Joseph Budish, who was Miss Jennie Enchin, Mrs. Melvin Cowan entertained at a presentation luncheon and theatre; Miss Ray Weiner, presentation evening; Mrs. S. Bremlin and Mrs. J. Bremlin, presentation dinner and cocktail party; Mr. and Mrs. B. Palmer and sons, Al. and Jack, presentation evening; Mrs. H. Lean and daughters, Mary, Beatrice, Pearl and Lillian, presentation luncheon; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kardish, presentation dinner and cocktail party; Mr. and Mrs. C. Sone, presentation evening; Mrs. B. Ehrenworth and Miss Esther Rogow, presentation tea at the Arcadian Court; Mrs. Lewis L. Fink, of Baltimore, Md., and Miss Dorothy Enchin, presentation dinner; Miss Hannah Salem and Mrs. S. Freeland, presentation tea; Mrs. T. Robinson and Miss Joyce Robinson, presentation surprise shower; Mrs. A. Dyment, presentation tea at Arcadian Court; Mrs. I. Edson and Mrs. P. Erlick, presentation bridge; Mrs. J. Orenstein, Mrs. B. Cussack, and Misses Frances and Bessie Hadler, presentation tea at the Royal York Hotel; Mrs. B. Manning and Mrs. M. Gould, presentation luncheon at the Georgian Room; Mrs. D. Goodman, presentation dinner; Mrs. M. Finklestein, Mrs. F. Dolgin and Miss Rose Fink, presentation bridge; Misses Buddy and Rose Budish, presentation cup and saucer shower at the Belvin; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Marco, presentation evening.

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• TORONTO MEETINGS •

• **COUNCILLETTES** met with Miss Irene List presiding. War effort tea the latter part of April. Next meeting March 29th.

• Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, of Cleveland, formerly of Toronto, will address the annual meeting of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Hamilton, on Sunday, March 29th, at Beth Jacob Synagogue. Election.

News for this column is accepted with the understanding that it is not to appear in daily newspapers before Friday of the same week. Items that do appear in daily papers before the Review goes to press will be omitted.

• **JEWISH OLD FOLKS' HOME** Young Ladies' Auxiliary had Mrs. M. Winter as installator. President by acclamation for the ninth year is Mrs. A. Feinstein. Others: Mesdames M. S. Gottlieb, M. Levine, H. R. Silberman, A. S. Erblick, R. Eisen, S. Farness, M. Winter, J. M. Paul, M. Reiken I. Singer, D. Hartzman, L. Greenspoon, H. Noftolin, A. Takefman, S. Shendroff, N. Kaplan, J. Becker, H. Penny, B. Adelman, L. Feinstein, E. Litman, C. Litman, G. Dublinsky, H. Brenner, H. Tishler, S. Levy, L. Rosen, A. Rosenblatt, H. Shapiro. Israel Epstein, president of the institution, installed Mrs. A. Feinstein and a presentation on behalf of the Auxiliary was made to her by A. Rosenblatt, executive director.

• **COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN**, Music Appreciation Group, scholarship tea at the home of Mrs. Oscar Pottenick, Austin Terrace, had receiving with Mrs. Pottenick, Mesdames EH Spivak, Herbert G. Weiss, and Harold Levi, president. Mrs. H. H. Winkler entertained the executive of the Group on International Affairs at luncheon: Mesdames A. G. Volpe, Gordon M. Pentry, Herbert C. Gordon, G. Ehrlich, M. Toker, S. Goldsmith, R. Rodness, M. Wolfson, G. Greisman, A. Daniels, S. Kerbel.

• **PRIDE OF ISRAEL LADIES' AUXILIARY** entertained Mrs. Joseph Budish, formerly Miss Jennie Enchin, at a bridge at the Georgian Room.

• **MINSHER FARRAND LADIES' AUXILIARY** entertained at a presentation bridge for Mrs. Joseph Budish, formerly Miss Jennie Enchin.

• **ZIONIST ORGANIZATION:** Youth Division of Youth Aliyah had a carnival night at the Belvin, Norman Bortin, Miss Belle Latchman, and Mrs. M. A. Levy receiving the guests.

• **HEBREW FREE SCHOOL** and Jewish Centre annual meeting on Sunday, March 29th, at 8 p.m., will see the unveiling of a memorial tablet to the late Moses Gelber. Election of the Board, presentation of certificates to upper school pupils. Guest speaker will be Captain Gershon Levi, senior chaplain to His Majesty's forces in Canada. Refreshments. Jacob Andrews, president, and Edward E. Gelber, Rabbi Samuel Sachs, Bernard Vise will speak.

• Miss Irene List has been awarded her Gold Corda, the highest award of the Girl Guide organizations. Although only seventeen, she has complete charge of the eighty girl guides at Allenby School and is president of the Councillettes. She is the daughter of Mrs. Harry R. List, organizer of the Jewish Girl Guides in Canada.

• **FOLKS FAREIN** is asking for volunteer Jewish girls who will assist in serving Passover meals in the hospital of the Old Folks Home. Call M. Littner, Wa. 7292.

• **SONS OF JACOB SOCIETY LADIES AUXILIARY** bridge is at 455 Spadina Avenue, April 13th, Mrs. E. Becker, chairman, and Mesdames B. Lampert, E. Thomas, D. Hartzman, L. Greenspoon in charge. Public invited.

• **HADASSAH:** Tel-Aviv Chapter Passover tea is at the home of Mrs. Charles Wagman, 223 Glen Road, April 5th, from 3 to 6 p.m.

• **JUNIOR SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE** bingo and games night, at the Belvin, on Tuesday, April 14th, will aid registered war charities. Those in charge are: Misses Belle Latchman, Julia Smith, Jeanne Cohen, Roslyn Benson.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldbach, of Peterboro, nee Marian Benson, of Toronto, on March 11th, at Nicoll's Hospital, Peterboro, twin daughters, Barbara Sharol and Adeline Roseanne.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George Rosenthal, (nee Lillian Shykoff) 54 St. Anne's Road, on March 19th, at Women's College Hospital, a daughter, Arlene Joy.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Handelman, 30 Roxton Road, on March 10th, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Terry Lois, sister of Joyce and Barbara.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Coles (nee Mary Rosen) College Street, on March 13th, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Alan Herbert.

DEATHS

Max Thaler, aged seventy-eight, died suddenly on March 22nd, at the Toronto General Hospital. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Meyer M. Davis. Interment at the former Bay Street Synagogue Cemetery, Roselawn Avenue.

Joseph H. Stern, of 31 Waller Avenue, Swansea, died suddenly on March 10th, at the age of forty-nine. He was attached to the Veteran's Guard Interment Camp at New Toronto, and a member of the Jewish Branch, 255, of the Canadian Legion, Bnai Brith and Oddfellow's Temple. He is survived by his wife, Rose Segall, three sisters, Mrs. A. Levine, Mrs. A. Rose and Mrs. D. Labow; and two brothers, Maurice, of London, England, and Louis, of Toronto. Funeral services were held from McCaul Street Synagogue, burial at McCaul Street Synagogue Cemetery, Dawes Road.

Israel Krangel, died suddenly at his home, 489 Shaw Street, on March 22nd, at the age of fifty-six. He is survived by his wife, Tony; two sons, Arthur and Abraham; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Sommers and Mrs. Max Ghaikin; and four sisters, Mrs. I. Berger, Mrs. M. Silverberg, Mrs. J. Marchand and Mrs. S. Berman, of Detroit. Mr. Krangel was a member of the Pride of Israel Society.

Funeral services were from Benjamin's Funeral Parlors, interment at the Pride of Israel Society Cemetery.

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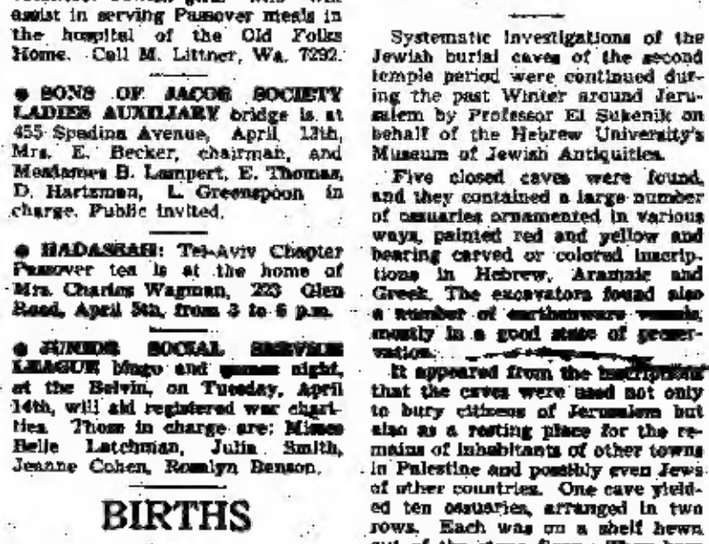

GO: any time Thursday, April 2nd, until 2.00 p.m. Monday, April 6th.

RETURN: leave destination up to midnight Tuesday April 7th, 1942.

This busy week-end offers an opportunity for a visit at home or away with friends.

CANADIAN NATIONAL

Ancient Jewish Burial Caves Found In Palestine

Systematic investigations of the Jewish burial caves of the second temple period were continued during the past Winter around Jerusalem by Professor El Sukenik on behalf of the Hebrew University's Museum of Jewish Antiquities.

Five closed caves were found, and they contained a large number of ossuaries ornamented in various ways, painted red and yellow and bearing carved or colored inscriptions in Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. The excavators found also a number of earthenware vessels, mostly in a good state of preservation.

It appeared from the inscriptions that the caves were used not only to bury citizens of Jerusalem but also as a resting place for the remains of inhabitants of other towns in Palestine and possibly even Jews of other countries. One cave yielded ten ossuaries, arranged in two rows. Each was on a shelf hewn out of the stone floor. They bore inscriptions, the majority in Greek, two in Hebrew.

Among the names of women were Aristoboulo, which is the feminine form for Aristoboulos, a name frequently given members of the Hasmonean and Herodian families, and Shabbatith, neither of which previously had been found in Palestinian inscriptions of this period. Another ossuary was inscribed with the name of Hineon Bar Caspi, apparently a member of a guild of silversmiths, while the names of two men, Eliezer and Yehoseb, bore the additional word, "twins."

Carved ornamentation found on these ossuaries, or stone coffins, dating back to the period commencing with the Hasmoneans and continuing through the Herodian reigns until just before the destruction of the second temple, is believed likely at Jerusalem to prove of great help in determining the contemporary styles of architecture in the Holy City in those times.

The newest southernmost point of Jewish settlement in Palestine is at Irak Manshieh, where a new colony has just been initiated.

Despite their own added burdens, the Jews of Palestine raised $280,000 for the Jewish National Fund during the year.

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MARRIAGES

Shapowitz-Pearlstein

The marriage of Lillian, daughter of Mrs. and the late L. B. Pearlstein, William Street, to Samuel, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Shapowitz, Spadina Avenue, took place on March 10th, at Men of England Synagogue, Rabbi S. Silverstein, Rev. Boris Charloff, and Rabbi M. Langer officiating. The ceremony was performed entirely in Jewish, the choir humming "O, Promise Me." The bride was given in marriage by her parents. Her gown of white brocaded satin was made with a torso length bodice and a scalloped waistline. The long sleeves came to points over the wrists, and the very full skirt extended into a long train, edged with Chantilly lace. A long veil of illusion tulle, fell from a bonnet of the same material as the gown, and the bride carried a crescent bouquet of white orchids and freesia. Miss Molly Pearlstein, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, in a gown of ponk net, made on the same lines as those of the bride's, her shoulder-length veil falling from a bonnet of the same material as her gown. The bridesmaids were Misses Lillian Price, Deanne Bernholtz, Lillian Asmith, Evelyn Weisdorf, and Ida Ungerman, all gowned alike in cornflower blue chiffon with bishop sleeves and embroidered necklines. They also wore off-the-face headdresses, and carried cascade bouquets of Rubrum lilies. Rita Glass and Jeanette Carroll were flower girls, in floor-length dresses of pink taffeta, and carried baskets of rose petals, and Jean Glass, in pale blue taffeta, was trainbearer, and carried a nosegay of roses. All also wore Queen Anne headdresses. Israel Shapowitz, brother of the groom, acted as best man, and the ushers were: Murray Pearlman, Morris Pearl, Harvey Ross, nephew of the bride, Max Goldhar, and David Silverstein. Stanley Cohen was ring-bearer. A dinner followed for over four hundred guests, the bride's mother receiving in a gown of deep purple embroidered cut lace, and corsage of orchids and freesia; the groom's mother wearing black crepe trimmed with blue sequins and embroidered lace. The couple left on a wedding trip to Montreal, where they stayed at the Mount Royal Hotel, and are living on Palmerston Boulevard. For going away the bride wore a blue wool crepe dress, with matching hat, oatmeal wool coat trimmed with a lynx collar, and black accessories. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. S. Mintz and Mrs. Jack Mintz and daughter, Florence, of Halifax, N.S.; and S. Samuels of Windsor, Ont.

Willer-Coppelman

The marriage of Miss Norma B. Coppelman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Coppelman, Bathurst Street, to William Willer, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Willer, St. Clair Avenue West, was solemnized on March 8th, at the Turf Club, Rabbi Samuel Sachs officiating. Miss Margaret Levay sang "I Love Thee," and Mrs. C. Shaer played the wedding music. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a powder-blue taffeta and silk jersey dress, with matching blue hat and veil. She carried a white prayer book covered with orchids and streamers. Miss Frances Dillick attended her, in blue tulle trimmed with dusty pink, and matching hat, and carried a nosegay of roses and sweet-peas. Gerald T. Coppelman, of New York, acted as best man. A reception followed, the bride's mother wearing a black wool dress, with orchids; the groom's mother in a black and white redingote ensemble, and a corsage of roses. The couple left for Montreal, the bride travelling in a blue wool ensemble with white fox trimming. They will live on Bathurst Street. Out-of-town guests were: Miss Tillie B. Coppelman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Service and Gerald T. Coppelman, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. H. Nogi, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Robinson, of Montreal.

Cohen-Mitchell

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Mitchell, to Julo Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Euclid Road, took place on March 15th, at Chudleigh House, Rev. B. Wiedowsky officiating. The bride, given in marriage by her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stein, wore a gown of white brocaded satin with a full skirt ending in a long train. Her fingertip veil of tulle illusion, fell from a crown of lilies-of-the-valley, and she carried a white prayer book covered with white roses and lilies-of-the-valley. Mrs. P. Oestreich, of New York, was matron-of-honor, wearing a gown of black lace and chiffon, and a corsage of red roses. Frank Cohen, of Kitchener, acted as best man. At a dinner for the immediate family, Mrs. Stein received in a black dinner gown and jacket trimmed with gold sequins, and corsage of red roses; with the groom's mother wearing a black lace gown, and corsage of red roses. After a short honeymoon, the couple will live in Toronto. Out-of-town guests were: Miss Malka Lee and Mrs. P. Oestrich, of New York; Joseph Romer, of Detroit, Mich.; L. Stein and A. Stein, of Windsor, Ont.; and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cohen and family, of Kitchener, Ont.

Gaffe-Bock

The marriage of Rae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bock, Major Street, to Samuel, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gaffe, Dundas Street West, took place on March 8th, at the home of Rabbi Samuel Sachs who officiated, assisted by Rabbi Wilfred Cardon. Mrs. Sachs played the wedding music. The bride, given in marriage by her parents, wore an afternoon frock of powder blue sheer wool, with matching hat and shoulder-length veil of blue tulle, and a corsage of orchids. A reception followed for about seventy-five, the bride's mother receiving in a blue print dress, and corsage of gardenias; the groom's mother in black crepe trimmed with velvet, and a corsage of gardenias. The couple left on a trip to Detroit, and are living at 17 Rusholme Road. Mr. and Mrs. S. Madorsky, of New York, were guests.

Salkovitch-Rasminsky

The marriage of Sophie, daughter of Solomon Rasminsky, and the late Mrs. Rasminsky, Roxton Road, to Nathan Salkovitch, son of Samuel Salkovitch and the late Mrs. Salkovitch, Parliament Street, took place on March 22nd, at one o'clock, at Chudleigh House, Rabbi I. Hurwitz officiating. Sol. Weinberg sang "Because". The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a frock of blue crepe, accordian pleated down the front and along the hem of the dress, with a matching pompadour hat, and carried a white Bible, covered with streamers. Abe Salkovitch, brother of the groom, acted as best man. A wedding luncheon followed for the immediate family, and a reception was held later on in the day at the bride's home. Mrs. H. Zacks, sister of the bride, received in a tan frock with matching tan hat and shoes, and a corsage of Tea roses; Mrs. Salkovitch, step-mother of the groom, wearing royal blue, and a corsage of red roses. The couple left on a trip to Montreal, and will live in Toronto. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Abe Bronfman and Mr. and Mrs. David Rasminsky, of Montreal; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Rogow and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zacks, of Peterboro, Ont.

Nusyna-Applebaum

The marriage of Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Applebaum, Beatrice Street, to Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Nusyna, Pendrith Avenue, took place on March 10th, Rabbi David Monson and Rev. A. K. Bernstein officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. Her gown of ice-blue satin was two piece, with a three-quarter-length tunic; the skirt extending into a long train. Her long veil of tulle illusion was caught to a headdress of ice-blue ostrich feathers, and she carried a cascade bouquet of Rubrum lilies. Mrs. Louis Applebaum, as matron of honor, wore a gown of black lace over white taffeta, and Allan Rose Nusyna, as maid of honor, wore a gown made with a full white taffeta skirt and bodice of black lace. Both carried bouquets of red roses and had headdresses of shoulder-length veils and ostrich feathers. The flower girls were Mirian Markovitz and Adele Friedberg, both in pink taffeta floor-length frocks trimmed with blue bows, and carrying nosegays of roses. Louis Applebaum, brother of the bride, acted as best man, and the ushers were: Max Karry, Max Applebaum, Irving Applebaum, Oscar Markovitz, David Cappe, Samuel Gallager, Louis Milgrom, and Ben. Silver. The bride's mother received in a gown of orchid crepe draped to a full skirt, and a corsage of orchids; the groom's mother in ivory crepe, and corsage of orchids. The couple motored to Kingston and Montreal, and will live in Toronto. For going away the bride wore a tweed suit and brown topcoat, and brown accessories. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fogel, of Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. J. Sussman, of Arthur, Ont.; Mrs. M. Freedman, of Detroit; and Mrs. M. Nusyna and Mrs. A. Nusyna, of New York.

NOTICE

The next issue of the Canadian Jewish Review will be the Passover number and all material intended for publication in it must be in the Montreal and Toronto offices not later than Monday.

POLISH WHITE BOOK REVEALS NAZI METHODS PLANNED FOR NEW EUROPE

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deliberate abasement of their morals through alcoholism, debauchery and gambling."

The White Book, published by the Greystone Press, contains some hundred laws, decrees and regulations issued by the German authorities in Poland between September, 1939, and May, 1941. These documents, which are irrefutable, appear more incriminating against the German overlords and the regime imposed by them than could be any comments by outsiders. They give a graphic picture of the looting of Poland by its conquerors and of the reduction of its people to a state of slavery and degradation.

The volume, entitled "German Occupation of Poland," is an extract of a note addressed last May to the allied and neutral powers by the Polish Government, with accompanying German and Polish documents. In 240 pages and with the liberal reprinting of ordinances promulgated by the Nazi occupying authorities and affidavits of persons who escaped their clutches, the White Book tells the official story of the murder, persecution and deportation of the Poles and the systematic ruination of their country by the Germans.

Meanwhile, the whole Polish population, male and female, from eighteen to sixty and later from fourteen to eighteen, is put to work at compulsory labor. Goering's instructions order a transfer of 1,000,000 men and women to Germany for work, and all Jews of the same age are driven into labor battalions.

"The duration of such compulsory labor is expected to be two years," says a regulation of Dec. 2, 1939, "but it may be prolonged if the pedagogical objects of such compulsory labor have not been attained."

The various laws and ordinances made public in the White Book picture the gradual strangling of the Polish population: Poland is broken up, the Poles are forbidden to sell or buy real estate or industrial enterprises, German courts are instituted for various offenses. Death penalty is decreed for a number of crimes, including the contamination of a German with venereal disease.

The Poles are deprived of their schools, universities, libraries, cinemas and cultural institutions. All work of art, including private collections "to be protected" by the governor general, are seized "for reasons of public utility." Later, private property is permitted to be seized by military authorities, SS troops (elite guard) and Gestapo (secret police). Goering orders "the maximum exploitation of forests without taking into account the need of replanting." Various decrees put into German hands the management of Polish lands, mines and forests.

The appendix includes the comment of a Swedish newspaper on the changing of the name of Gdynia to Gotenhafen. "It ought rather to be called Totenhafen, the City of the Dead," it said. A city that had a population of more than 125,000, now has only 17,000 inhabitants."

The book quotes the Nazi Governor-General of Poland as declaring that Nazi methods there represent "the best example of the system that will be introduced in the countries of New Europe, controlled by Greater Germany." It warns that this fate is intended for other countries "when Germany succeeds in obtaining the full liberty of action to which she aspires."

At the end of the volume are excerpts from letters smuggled out of Poland and sworn affidavits by persons who escaped abroad. One bit of testimony says: "On Aug. 21, 1940, a convoy of Polish laborers returned from Magdeburg to Warsaw. These workers had been declared unfit to work. Nearly all had tuberculosis."

Another tells a gruesome story: "I decided to leave Katowice because my daughter, aged fifteen, was to be sent to Germany for agricultural labor. I knew what that order meant. A Polish lady of my acquaintance had two daughters who were sent to Brandenburg. They were made to sleep in the buildings of a labor camp. Detachments of soldiers were brought in the evening to these buildings and allowed to rape the Polish girls. One of the daughters was sent to her mother after a time. A letter from the camp commander explained that she was pregnant and would be under the protection of the state as a 'kriegsmutter' (war mother) and the state would take charge of the child when it was born."

This is the second White Book issued by the Polish government since the beginning of the war. The first was published early in 1940 in Paris and London, and it contained diplomatic documents on the Polish questions before the declaration of war.

The material contained in this second book was submitted two months ago to an interallied conference meeting in London to pass judgment on German atrocities in Europe. Representatives of nine European countries at this conference pledged themselves to avenge the offenses committed by Germans against their nationals.

The German decrees instituting a new order in Poland have been obtained by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs from their representatives in neutral and non-belligerent countries.

Some documents, like a secret instruction addressed by Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering to the office in Poland of the German Four-Year plan, and ordering a regular economic spoliation of Poland for the German war effort, were smuggled out of Poland. But the Polish ministry gives its guaranty of the authenticity of such documents.

RESTRICTIONS AGAINST JEWS MOUNT AS AXIS FRIENDS MAKE GREAT SHOW OF JEWISH QUESTION

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sellers have been ordered out of business.

The Finnish Red Cross, under the inspiration of the German masters of Finland, has decided to refuse Jewish offers of blood for transfusion to wounded Finnish soldiers. The Axis radios praise the obsequious Finns for adhering to Nazi racial principles.

Nazi agitators in Finland have meanwhile been inventing all kinds of libels against the Jews. The latest story they are spreading is that "International Jewry," with the consent of Russia, has devised a plan to send all Finns to Siberia in the event of an Allied victory. The pro-Nazi press, taking up this libel, declares that in such a threat Finland can only reply with "weapons in hand."

The principal organ of the Labour Movement in Finland, the Helsinki Suomen Sosialidemokrati, has published an article informing Germany that the masses in Finland object to Nazi propaganda methods introduced contrary to Germany's original assurances that she would not interfere in Finland's internal affairs. Nazi efforts to make a great show of the Jewish question are useless so far as the people of Finland are concerned, says the paper, since there are only a handful of Jews in the country, and these do not occupy any positions of influence.

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terms of liberty, equality, and fraternity has spoken. Through him the voice of the Jew, the bearer of the democratic ideal, has spoken. We firmly believe that the Riom Trial is yet destined to hasten the revival of freedom of France. Frenchmen will not be deceived by Petain and his clique. Frenchmen have had their hearts fired by the prophetic words of Leon Blum, the very symbol of Republican France. Even as the French General Staff with false documents could not convince the world that Dreyfus, the Jew, was guilty, even so will Vichy fail to make even partisans believe that these fine statesmen, Leon Blum, Daladier or Cot, are the causes of the military defeat of France. The truth can not be strangled.

Our prayers go out that Leon Blum, noble Jew, great Frenchman, and lover of humanity, may be granted years of strength in mind and body to witness Republican France restored to its historic and deserving status among the free nations of the earth.

Wanted: Rabbis As Army Chaplains

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the second referring to wars of expansion and conquest. They further say that no exemptions were permitted in the former case, obliging even the groom to leave the nuptial canopy to join the army. These regulations were actually carried out during the Maccabean wars. The religious character given to most of the wars in the Bible is indicated by the term "sanctify war" used for inaugurating war against an enemy, probably referring to the offerings made at the time.

Whether the specially appointed priest had any functions during the progress of the battle is not recorded. The prophets regarded all wars as evil and while accepting the need of it on certain occasions, kept on preaching for peace and picturing war in horrible details. Jeremiah who had warned against the war with Babylon was forced to live through the period of slaughter and devastation and insisted on remaining with his vanquished people to keep up their spirits until his flight to Egypt.

The function of the modern chaplain is not so much in the nature of the priest who was commissioned to perform the religious rites connected with war as that of the prophet who stood with his people, warning and comforting, instructing and healing, bringing faith and courage to the hearts of the soldiers in battle array.

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Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

Leon Blum — Conscience Of France

In the town of Riom, France, a historic trial is now taking place. Six Republican statesmen are being charged by the Vichy Quislings with the responsibility of the collapse of France. How is this trial to be interpreted? Why now of all times is it being held when the world is amidst a life and death struggle between forces of liberalism and reaction?

There is no doubt that the military clique, always the misfortune of France, is in the main responsible for this tragic trial. This clique is now anxious to cover up its own failures and incompetence and has chosen as a scapegoat the great statesmen of France. Petain, now the head of Vichy, is the very symbol of the military clique whose generals in their methods of warfare were outmoded by the Germans. Not only does the Fascist Government of what is now France seek a scapegoat but it wishes to divert people's minds from the misery that has descended upon them because of Vichy's so-called collaboration with the Nazis. The great urge, of course, is to discredit democracy, and behind the whole show of the Riom Trial is the shadow of Hitler.

Among the character and achievements of statesmen accused, Leon Blum's are the noblest. He in truth is the very symbol of Republican France. Through his great address of defense spoken before the Supreme Court at Riom he eloquently stated that French democracy, though it has been silent for two years, is very much alive; though imprisoned, it dares to speak.

Leon Blum was born in a Jewish home of wealth and aristocracy. He was given the finest of schooling and prepared himself for a literary career. At the age of twenty-two he was considered a poet of no mean proportions. He wrote much on the theatre and the fine arts in general. But a turning point in his life was the Dreyfus affair which rocked all of France. Leon Blum entered the Dreyfus debates. He turned to law and politics. The growing socialist movement attracted him. In 1914 he was in the forefront of the Socialist Party. During the war he loyally served France and in 1919 we find him elected to the Chamber of Deputees. So masterly was his leadership that in 1936 this intellectual Jewish citizen and socialist became Premier of the Republic of France, the first time this office was ever held by a Hebrew or Socialist in France. In 1938 Blum was elected Premier for a second time. His eloquence, logic and fearlessness gave him the weapons with which to tackle the toughest of jobs that the premiership of France offered in these hectic and trying years for the Third Republic.

Leon Blum suffered much. He was mocked as the "millionaire socialist." He was the victim of brutal and vicious attacks, but, with alertness and boundless energy, he served his native land, France.

Many were the reforms he advocated in the cause of pure idealism and love for humanity. He wanted every laboring Frenchman to have bread, peace and liberty. He espoused the cause of labor in opposition to the money interests. He brought about legislation for the right of collective bargaining by labor; the forty-four hour week, and with it two weeks' vacation for every worker with pay. The Government of Blum nationalized the war industries and this struck at the "merchants of death" who usually profit by war and promote war. In this regard he became the target of attack through such powerful armament manufacturers as the Schneider interests, etc. At the Riom trial Blum has made the startling revelations of how the Schneiders employed Soviet influences to restrain the Blum Government effort to nationalize the armament factories.

Humanitarian a man such as Blum is, he ever sought to promote the cause of international peace. From 1919-1933 he worked faithfully to bring in a close alliance of friendship Republican France with democratic Germany. He opposed both Communists and Fascists. When Premier, he even consented to negotiate with the Third Reich which chose to crucify his own Jewish people and those identified with democracy. Memorable are these heroic words spoken by Blum at Riom in the face of an anti-Semitic charged court room.

"I might have replied: 'I am a Jew, I am a Marxist. I will have no negotiation with a Government that persecuted Jews and Marxists.' But had I done so I would really have been guilty of betraying the duties of my office. Instead, what I did say was: 'I am a Jew, I am a Marxist, and that is the reason I, all the more ardently, desire that our countries should be able to live together on good terms.' In taking that position, I maintain, I wholly fulfilled the duties of my office."

Leon Blum's four-hour eloquent outpouring at Riom will yet find its place by the side of Emile Zola's letter written to the President of France titled "J'Accuse." Leon Blum, the accused, became through his eloquence the accuser of those who betrayed France in her most desperate hour in history. The causes for France's defeat are many and not these statesmen victimized by Vichy. Who can deny that intellectual and moral decadence has defeated France? Along with this may be added twenty years of bad politics, a military leadership outdated, and a financial class that clamored in 1936: "Hitler rather than Blum."

Leon Blum's trial at Riom has a fatal resemblance to the trial of a Captain Dreyfus. But, unlike Dreyfus, Blum is a proud French Jew who has identified himself with his people. Great service has Leon Blum rendered the cause of a Jewish Palestine and with honour has he borne the name of Jew.

Through Leon Blum at Riom, the voice of France in

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every friday

"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rancor
That for what it is worth me to be free,
I might have had an easier."

In an article intended for publication in the Review, but too long to be used, entitled "Jewish Community Control Over Jews," William I. Boxerman, contributing editor of The Reconstructionist, portrays how simple it would be to establish communal controls over the Jewish individual or group in the ideal community envisaged by the Reconstructionists.

Each Jew would feel that his destiny is linked with that of all other Jews and that each one is an indispensable part of the whole community. Therefore he would strive to live up to the highest traditions and would recognize that the unethical act of a single Jew would be a violation of Jewish ethics and a reflection upon the whole group. Each Jew would be affiliated with the community, not only through money contributions, but by active participation. In that position he would adhere without hesitation to the highest code because otherwise he might be deprived of the rights and privileges of a member. At this point Mr. Boxerman interrupts his dream to observe somewhat humorlessly that "relatively few" communities, as yet, have begun to approach the complete fulfillment of the Reconstructionist scheme of things.

Then he considers the question of whether it is possible or even desirable to resurrect the same kind of controls that at one time characterized the Jewish community, which in bygone days made excommunication of the individual from all social intercourse an effective instrument. Mr. Boxerman wonders whether community control over the individual or group is desirable and whether it does not smack of Fascist control.

Pondering over whether controls are needed in America today as they were needed in the Middle Ages when controls were necessary to mutual protection, Mr. Boxerman is inclined to think they are. He believes that every safeguard should be adopted so that the acts of individual Jews and Jewish groups are in accord with the highest ethical standards of Judaism, because, unfortunately, the outside world still imposes collective responsibility on Jews and makes them their brothers' keepers. Mr. Boxerman winds up by giving instances in which a public relations committee of some prestige acted to straighten out situations that otherwise would have caused excitement or public scandal harmful to Jewish community relations with the outside world. Instead, justice and fair dealing were accomplished according to Jewish teachings and community life assumed the dignity it does when influence is exerted on the individual and the group.

If you are still there, at this point you may not be feeling so well and neither is this column which gets pretty fidgety over pat, superficial talk about the little-known subject of public relations, alias "good-will." Mr. Boxerman wants Jews to be well-behaved in every way and devoted to ethical standards of conduct because morality is a fundamental tenet of Judaism and should be adhered to for its own sake. However, if they don't behave they should be disciplined by the community. In the ideal community every Jew would belong to something or other and if he misbehaved he could be turned out in some modern approximation of "cherem", excommunication. The forces of reaction in America give Mr. Boxerman some concern and he does not want to give them any excuse for being roused up against the Jew. So for two reasons he is in favor of communal control of the individual, one so that the individual and the community can gain status and self-respect through unfailing good behavior, and the other so that the miscreant can be kept from giving the community a black eye.

This column believes that communal control, if ever feasible, over the Jewish individual or group could be open to great abuse and characterized by the odium of suppression. However, as yet there is no such thing. The public relations committee which Mr. Boxerman cites was lucky in getting hold of fairly amenable subjects who would listen to reason with regard to the precepts of brotherly love, harmony, and the community's best interests, by dint of the prominence of the committee members. Prominent or obscure, the committee might have been thrown out, since there was nothing to compel the trouble-maker to listen to them, much less heed them. If he did listen he could take the view that he was being courteous and tolerant to do it and that they were being meddlesome and officious. If they had threatened ostracism, he could have laughed a lot. In the first place he might not have cared if he were dropped from synagogue or organization membership, if he was there to begin with. But if he did, he knew that Jews, and Gentiles as well, do not expel their fellows for unethical practices. They expel them for not paying dues. They are more likely to overlook the practices, both minor and major, as part of human frailty common to man born of woman, and elevate the practitioner to some office or other. Consider the land grabs and other grafting enterprises that built the fortunes of some of the most highly esteemed families in any country.

In England, the Jewish community has moved in the direction which Mr. Boxerman indicates as desirable in the handling of those guilty of unethical acts. First there was a great deal of discussion in public and in the Jewish press about imposing sanctions upon Jewish offenders with regard to war profiteering, evasions of Government food regulations, and casuistic interpretations of well-defined laws in the effort to circumvent them. Those few who were engaged in malpractices should be punished, it was said, by having withheld from them the rites of circumcision, marriage, and burial according to Jewish traditional custom, and participation in synagogue ritual, and the like. Sanctions were imposed in Leeds, if this column recalls correctly, but more is heard about the black market in England than about social excommunication. If there are Jews in it, there are also plenty of Gentiles in it, but public utterances with regard to it tend to make the Jews the scapegoat.

The general Jewish community feeling about their wretched evil-doers is an unmistakable echo from the past. In the Middle Ages when Jews were even prevented from engaging in money-lending and in their extremity took to clipping the coinage, one of the greatest of the Rabbis, Meier ben Baruch, said: "Concerning coin-clippers; cut their hands right off when you punish them. How much blood has been spilt on account of these spoilers of the currency and their like! It is because of them that our brethren in France and England have been persecuted and it is of such as them that Scripture states, 'He that maketh haste to be rich shall not be unpunished.'"

Jews in the London community feel the same detestation and chagrin over their miscreants, naturally. They have been urged by the Jewish Chronicle there to regard the evil-doers as they would "filthy vermin, to be spat on in public and chased, like disease-bearing rats, from contact with decent men and women." But the same paper counsels its readers against publicity in singling out the black sheep lest it lead to exaggeration of their actual number. It advises the community to make shame their chief weapon against the miscreants and thus finally drive them into law-abiding behavior. This is not much to go on, even if passive condemnation were developed into dynamic hate, for reckless people committed to the headlong course of making money in a way which is criminal and unpatriotic at the same time, will probably not care very much about public opinion. In olden times, excommunication was the most dreaded weapon, imposing as it did a horrible loneliness which no person could exist against. These days it is the suggestion of visionaries.

Moreover, this column does not believe that Jews should accept from the non-Jewish world a liability which the non-Jewish world does not admit for itself. It is the province of the law to find and punish all evil-doers regardless of whether they are Jews or Gentiles, and the innocent Jews should no more be expected to bear a responsibility for guilty Jews than innocent Gentiles should be expected to bear a responsibility for guilty Gentiles. If the world expects Jews to be sureties for their bad actors, it expects too much. Every time a Jewish community cooperates in this expectation by accepting this abnormal burden, the Jews help to keep their group in an unnatural position. The Gentile world has got to learn that the Jews have no mysterious means of controlling any individual or group within their group, nor should they be expected to conjure up such means. The Jewish world has got to learn how to meet such a cruelly unfair and so exacting an attitude with dignity and pride.

The Jews gave the world the concept of democracy for which civilization is fighting. They are law-abiding citizens, with nothing to be ashamed of in excess of the misdemeanors of any other group among their fellow citizens. When any one group can be placed in jeopardy by the untoward act of any one of its members, there is more wrong with the world it lives in than there is with the group itself. If the Jews will learn to live normally they will not be thrown into panic over the fear that one Jew can besmirch the name of many. What they need is not so much to be "explained" as an ability to the Gentiles, but to acquire more inner strength for themselves.

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Wanted: Rabbis As Army Chaplains

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO ACT AS LINKS BETWEEN MEN AND FAMILIES AT HOME

The Jewish Exponent says:

The tremendous increase in the military personnel, through conscription and voluntary enlistments, has brought to the fore the problem of providing chaplains for the various branches of the service. The Jewish Welfare Board has been able to enlist the services of about forty ordained Rabbis who have been aided by lay members from time to time in the various camps. The new U.S. conscription regulations will make it imperative to augment that number considerably and the Board as well as the three recognized Rabbinical bodies have been grappling with the problem of inducing some of their members to volunteer for this type of service.

The office of the army chaplain, especially in time of war, is an old and honorable one. Intended originally to serve as the custodian of the religious objects and symbols that accompanied the army on its march, as the name derived from chapel, the depository of these insignia in the houses of worship indicates, the functions of the chaplain have undergone numerous changes in the course of time.

In more recent years, the chaplain serves a most important purpose not only in providing for religious exercises and rites but also in acting as the guide and moral mentor of the men engaged in combat or preparing for it. The army and navy chiefs realize the indispensable service of the chaplain in the maintenance of the morale and of the happiness and moral well-being of the men under arms. They are looked upon as the spiritual guides, as the moral mentors and often act as the links between the men and their families at home.

In ancient Jewish warfare, as recorded in the Bible, a declaration of war was usually preceded by consulting the oracle and the first steps of actual combat were accompanied by the offering of sacrifices. The Ark containing the covenant usually preceded the armies and was, of course, in charge of the priests. The Remnants of the battle cry are still preserved for us and used even today in the synagogue when the scrolls are taken out from the ark and returned to it.

In the Book of Deuteronomy, where we have a detailed description of the regulations that were in use when preparing for a campaign, we find mention of a special priest who was appointed for the occasion. According to the Rabbinic interpretation, this priest was especially annointed for his task and was not necessarily the High Priest. In fact, it seems that the latter was kept back from the battlefield so that he not become defiled through contact with dead bodies.

This special war priest, designated as Mashuah Milhamah, was the one who announced the words of encouragement to the army: "Hear, O Israel, ye draw nigh this day unto battle against your enemies; let not your heart faint; fear not nor be alarmed, neither be ye affrighted at them; for the Lord your God is He that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you."

It was the same priest, according to the Rabbis, who proclaimed that he who built a new house, or planted a new vineyard or that has betrothed a wife should return home and then called upon all who are fearful or fainthearted to depart from the army "lest his brethren's heart melt as his heart."

The Rabbis draw a distinction between obligatory and optional wars, the first including the wars against the natives of Canaan, against Amalek and all the defensive wars and

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